



Alfred J. Gazzera

November 1, 1924 - December 5, 2011

Alfred "Fred" J. Gazzera, 87, of Hudson, died Monday, December 5, 2011 at Columbia Memorial Hospital with his family by his side.

Born November 1, 1924 in Hudson, he was the son of the late Deno and Teresa (Gallina) Gazzara.

He graduated from Hudson High School in 1943. While in High School he played the trumpet in the band and orchestra.

Fred served in the US Army from 1943 until 1945. He was a former prisoner of war in Germany and was awarded various medals including the Purple Heart. He was in the NYS National Guard prior to being drafted.

Fred was a partner and proprietor of Deno's Auto Body Shop and Appraisal Service in Hudson for 41 years.

He was a member of the Columbia Golf and Country Club, where he was chairman of the Bud Duntz and Fred Gazzera Golf League; a member of the V.F.W., the Disabled American Veterans, and American Ex- Prisoners of War; a life member and past secretary of the Hudson Elks Club, where he was in the Bowling League and "Elk of the Year" in 1977; a member of St. Mary's Church in Hudson, and a former member of the Hudson Lions Club. He also

coached Little League Baseball and was a Boy Scout Leader.

Fred is survived by his wife of 64 years, Jean (Folz) Gazzera of Hudson; his son and daughter-in-law, David and Amparo Gazzera of Hudson; his daughter and son-in-law, Karen and Patrick Murray of Hudson; his sister, Marie McKenzie of Alabama; five grandchildren, Tara Propst, Lauren Murray, David Gazzera, Andres Gazzera, and Nicole Gazzera; two great-grandsons, Brady and Evan Propst, and several nieces and nephews.

Visiting hours are 4-7 pm Thursday at the Bates & Anderson - Redmond & Keeler Funeral Home.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be offered at 10 am Friday at St. Mary's Church in Hudson.

Burial will be in Cedar Park Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Red Cross of Northeastern NY, 33 Everett Road, Albany, NY, 12205.

Tribute Wall

DL

“ Jean, Karen, David, and loved ones: It's the 11th and my dad just told me about your loss. I am sincerely sorry. I will always remember Fred coming over on Sundays to watch golf with my dad. Karen, he will always be "Fred" to me and I'll always remember all the rides to school and times out for ice cream. I believe he's watching over you.

*I feel like of piece of my childhood is missing but he's just in a better place. Love to all,
Donna Liberti*

Donna Liberti - December 11, 2011 at 12:25 PM

GB

“ Fred was such a special person always sharing good thoughts and many laughs. The members of the Wednesday night league at Columbia Golf and Country Club thought so much of his leadership skills and personable nature that last year we elected to have the league carry his name. His legacy will remain with each of us and his smiling face will be remembered every time we make a putt. I wish the Gazzera family my prayers and condolences and thank them for sharing Fred with us. Greg Bayduss

Greg Bayduss - December 09, 2011 at 11:39 AM

BS

“ We are so sorry about Alfred's passing.
Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.
Shahram and Beatriz Shirzad

Beatriz Shirzad - December 08, 2011 at 12:37 PM

SM

“ I will miss Freddy in so many ways. We met some 33 years ago when I crashed my 280Z car. Fred was a true friend and amongst the very few patients who I truly felt made my day when he came into the office. We together underwent challenges and came out on top with two smiles. Fred was the best. Sanford Ullman,

Sanford Ullman, MD - December 06, 2011 at 03:47 PM

DE

“ What a dear, dear man Mr. Gazzara was. Karen and I met in 4th grade so he has put up with our crazy antics for many years! I will never forget the dinners in the kitchen on Jenkins Parkway with Karen and I giggling and David slapping Karen in the face with pizza. Mr. Gazzara was obviously annoyed with us but he took it all in stride. He will be missed by all who knew him. I will always remember his infectious smile. Rest in Peace Mr. Gazzara. You are loved. Sincerely, Deborah (Roeder) Eiche



Deborah Eiche - December 06, 2011 at 10:01 AM



“ Dear Jean and family,

So sorry to hear of Fred's passing..... You're family through the years has always been part of mine....we have so many wonderful memories...they will be kept close to my heart....love, Cheryl and Tommy



Cheryl Kappel - December 06, 2011 at 05:56 AM